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MASTERS

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For: DEVICES INCLUDING PROTEIN MATRIX MATERIALS AND METHODS OF  
MAKING AND USING THEREOF

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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This communication is filed in response to the Office Communication of July 16, 2004, for which the unextended date for response is August 16, 2004. Applicants, through their attorney, elect with traverse the invention of Group I, claims 1-19, 50-66, and 99-115, drawn to a composition. Furthermore, Applicant elect with traverse the following species including those the Examiner has identified from claims 3, 5, 13, 16, 17 and 34: the protein elected is collagen; the biocompatible solvent elected is water; the polymer elected is silicone; the conductive material elected is silver; the composition elected does include an active agent; the composition elected is crosslinked; the composition elected does not include secondary devices; and the composition elected is in the form of a device/matrix. However, it is also noted that the present application includes compositions that may optionally include a polymer, thereby also providing for embodiments that do not have a polymer included.

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